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Local winners

The Strathmore Legion invited the winners of their Remembrance contest and their families to the Memorial Hall on Feb. 26 to present cheques and certificates to the contest winners. Those who came in first place for each category will have their entries moved forward to the district level for a similar competition. See Page 7 for more coverage.

John Watson Photo

Strathmore Stampede wins prestigious award

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Strathmore Stampede has been named the Large Rodeo Committee of the Year during the Canadian Finals Rodeo – a first for the organization.

According to Ryan Schmidt, general manager and CEO of the Strathmore and District Agricultural Society, the awards take place on an annual basis and are voted by the contestants who attend rodeos across Canada.

“Essentially, every year at the Canadian Finals Rodeo, there is a big Canadian Professional Rodeo Association Annual General Meeting (AGM),” explained Schmidt. “As part of this AGM, awards are provided to rodeos each year and Strathmore won the award for Large Rodeo Committee of the Year, and this is voted by competitors.”

According to Schmidt, it’s the first time the committee has been recognized with the award in recent memory.

The Strathmore Stampede was not the only rodeo to be awarded, as there was also a recognition for the Small Rodeo Committee of the Year.

“Nobody remembers ever winning it before. For me, it’s a recognition of the tremendous work that our volunteers do between our rodeo committee and then the army of volunteers behind the committee across the whole event that made the event so special this year,” said Schmidt. “This is a recognition of their tremendous contribution to the Strathmore Stampede. Really, it’s their award.”

The team has no intention of resting on their laurels, however, as they make plans to make the Strathmore Stampede bigger and better than ever for the 2022 season.

Schmidt explained the show will see a

host of returning favourites, and will also expand upon some of the activities that were introduced last year.

“We’re building the event further going into 2022, especially expanding upon our Friday night concert. We announced James Barker Band is coming and we’ll be announcing an opener for James Barker Band shortly,” said Schmidt. “We’ve got the Running with the Bulls, as usual, the chuckwagon races, pro rodeo and a slew of new entertainment. We’re also moving the trade show to a new location and we’re bringing back the wine gardens and a new unique fun zone for kids.”

Schmidt also wished to recognize the Chair of the Rodeo Committee, Sandra Green, for her hard work and regarded her as the face for receiving the award.

The Strathmore Stampede will be releasing more details about their 2022 iteration of the event later this spring.

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Strathmore's first annual Wedding Expo was hosted Feb. 26 and 27 at the Civic Centre. Saturday night was oriented as a sneak peek, while the main event was held on Sunday. The goal of the event was to get businesses who support weddings on the same page, and help give those who are looking to tie the knot some ideas for their upcoming ceremonies.

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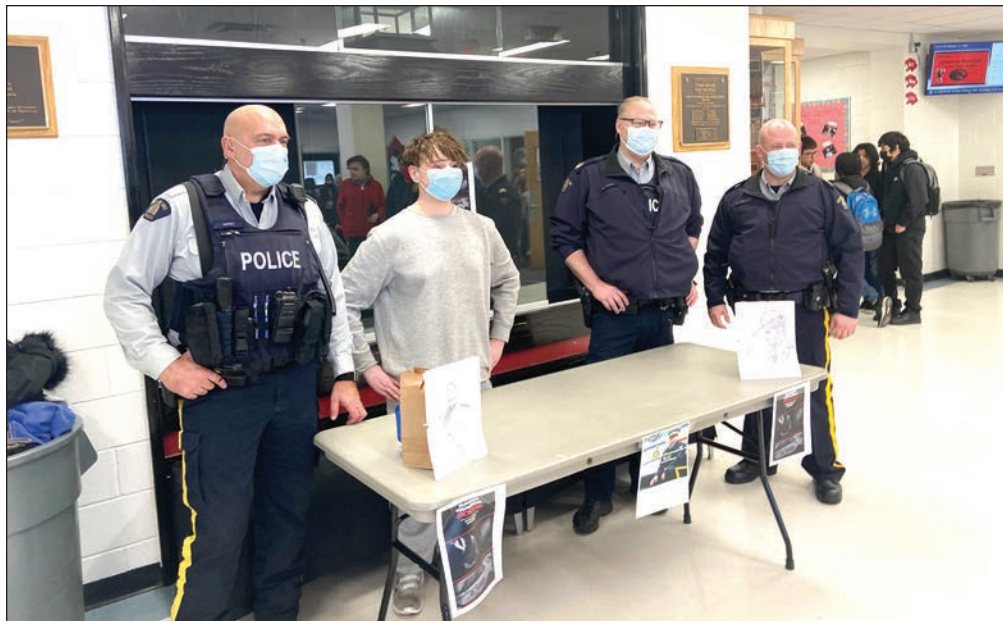
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Jon Ruzsinszki is working to raise local awareness for the mental health of RCMP, and what can be done to help officers suffering from PTSD. His project was immediately supported both by his principal, and the local RCMP.

Photo Courtesy of Jon Ruzsinszki

Jr. High student aims to raise awareness for RCMP mental health

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

A local junior high school student has begun working to raise awareness for the mental health of RCMP and how the community can help.

Grade 9 student, Jon Ruzsinszki, from Crowther Memorial Junior High School (CMJHS), began the initiative after researching the RCMP as a potential career path.

"I saw some articles about mental health and how the support for it isn't very high, so I spoke to my principal and a few teachers about it, they said it would be a good idea, so we set up a plan ... we had some RCMP officers

join us and we've just been bringing awareness and gathering funds for it," explained Ruzsinszki.

Following his meetings with his principal and with the district RCMP officer who engages with the school, Ruzsinszki set out to gain more support from the community and set up a way to spread the message.

"It's more of an awareness campaign. We have done a few things - we did an announcement through the intercom for the school (and) we did presentations in class," he said. "(The RCMP officer) told the whole Strathmore detachment about it, they all apparently said it was a good idea and wanted to support it, so we had a few officers who were able to come down."

Through looking into the subject, Ruzsinszki discovered RCMP suicide rates to be above the national average compared to that of regular civilians.

"I was looking at a lot of different statistics and I realized that the suicide rate for an officer, I think, was 17 in every 100,000, whereas the normal (rate for civilians) was 13 in every 100,000," said Ruzsinszki.

"It doesn't sound like a big difference, but with the fact that we don't have a whole lot of RCMP, that number even just being for higher than the regular count of civilians and on the rise still, (makes an impact)."

Currently the plan for running awareness through the school is to regularly have announcements over the PA system and set up a booth on certain days to reinforce local awareness and provide a place to make donations.

Suspicious death on the Siksika Nation

GLEICHEN RCMP
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

On Feb. 27, at 9:02 a.m., gleichen RCMP responded to a 911 report of an unresponsive female at a residence on the Siksika Nation.

An adult female was located deceased in the residence. The initial investigation indicates that the circumstances surrounding the death are suspicious.

The Alberta RCMP Major Crimes Unit was called in to assist and has taken carriage of the investigation. The RCMP Forensic Identification Section has also been called into assist.

An autopsy has been ordered by the office of the Chief Medical Examiner and will be conducted later this week. The next-of-kin has been notified.

Leela Aheer, MLA

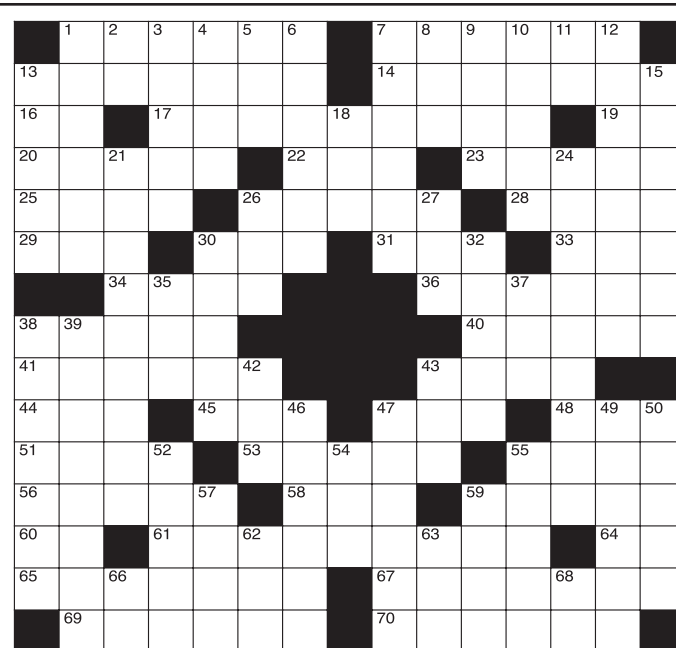
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- 7. Fish parts
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- 14. Quality
- 16. Rural delivery
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- 20. Shivering fits
- 22. Wrath
- 23. Linguistics pioneer
- 25. Large integers
- 26. A way to prepare food
- 28. Group of badgers
- 29. Peyton's little brother
- 30. Rock out
- 31. Danish krone
- 33. Take from with force
- 34. Baroque musical instrument
- 36. Zodiac sign
- 38. Hebrew alphabet letter
- 40. Independent member of a clone
- 41. Type of garment
- 43. Satisfy
- 44. One point south of due east
- 45. A way to wipe out
- 47. Moved quickly on foot
- 48. Bar bill
- 51. An idiot
- 53. Performed with the voice silent
- 55. Body fluids
- 56. Rhythmic patterns
- 58. "___ my i's"
- 59. Type of wrap
- 60. It shows who you are
- 61. Carousel
- 64. Type of college degree
- 65. Molding
- 67. Closes again
- 69. Verses
- 70. Surface

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Short, thick stick
- 2. Rhode Island
- 3. Animals of the horse family
- 4. Very important persons
- 5. Folk singer Di Franco
- 6. Boredom
- 7. Long speech
- 8. Footballer Newton
- 9. Expression of sorrow or pity
- 10. Linear accelerator
- 11. One quintillion bytes
- 12. Smallest interval in Western music
- 13. Box
- 15. Cheese dish
- 18. Make a mistake
- 21. Done by all people or things
- 24. Circumference
- 26. Chum
- 27. Electrocardiogram
- 30. Sandwich chain Jimmy ___
- 32. Showed old movie
- 35. Important event on Wall St.
- 37. Where wrestlers work
- 38. Free from contamination
- 39. Eastern Canada coastal region
- 42. Slang for gun
- 43. High schoolers' test
- 46. Fathers
- 47. Call it a career
- 49. Productive
- 50. Musical groups
- 52. Yellowish-brown
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Wheatland Kings knocked out of playoffs

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Wheatland Kings' playoff run came to an abrupt and decisive end on Feb. 25 after being defeated in game five of their best-of-seven series against the Okotoks Bisons.

Played in Okotoks, the Kings were completely shut out with the game concluding 5-0 for the Bisons. The series score ended 4-1.

Kings head coach Ron West said it, of course, was not the result he was hoping for, but nevertheless he is proud of his team and how far they were able to come.

"It was kind of disappointing. I felt that Okotoks didn't play very good on their level, but we played the same level and intensity," said West.

"They brought their game a little bit more in the first, we decided to bring our game in the third, but still we couldn't get any goals and we lost 5-0."

West believed his team came out a little flat during the first period, something that proved fatal to the team in previous games, and that the Bisons took the early momentum of the game.

During the second period, West said his boys began to pick up the pace but still struggled to capitalize on any opportunities to score. Meanwhile, the same couldn't be said for their opponent.

"The third period I felt that we came out with even better jump, knowing our season was on the line, but still couldn't get the job done. It's just a tough one," said West.

"It's frustrating as a coach, but on the same level, you can coach systems, you can coach how to play, but they've got to play from the heart. They may think it the right way, but they just never quite got there."

Despite their overall defeat, West added that even taking one game from the Bisons was a win as they are ranked among the Top 10 teams in Canada for the level of play, having only lost a handful of games throughout the entire season.

Rarely have the Wheatland Kings made it past the first round of the playoffs.

"If you look at this team when they first started, they didn't look like a team in a lot of ways, that would even make the playoffs," said West.

"They have (previously) beaten every team that's still in it in the final four and that's something to be said. They do have a lot of heart and drive and I think that's the biggest part."

Already thinking about the next season, West has a few ideas about how he wants to coach his team and get them ready to make another run through the playoffs.

Before that, however, West is going to need to find himself some new players as several of his team are ageing out, including his captain, two of his assistants and one of his goaltenders.

"They're all leaders, so we have to replace that and that's always not easy. For the captain, I already know who we will have as captain next year and a couple of the assistants I can see where they drive the heart of the team," said West.

"It's a matter of getting stronger on defense and a little bit more goal scoring from all four lines, so we'll have to do a little shopping (for players)."

West's goal for the next season is to at minimum see his team make it through the second round of the playoffs and continue to push further than ever. The next season of play is scheduled to begin in September.

Trying times for Canada

LEELA SHARON AHEER
Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

Hello Chestermere Strathmore readers, I would like to discuss Motion 10: Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly (a) condemn the unnecessary invocation of the Emergencies Act by the Government of Canada as the Assembly is of the view that this is a measure which infringes upon the constitutionally guaranteed rights of Albertans and all Canadians, including the right to due process and natural justice; (b) is of the view that the Government of Canada has failed to demonstrate that the present circumstances meet the threshold that the law requires to invoke the Emergencies Act, and that as demonstrated in Alberta, governments and law enforcement agencies already have adequate authority and resources to end illegal blockades and restore order; and (c) is further of the view that this invocation of the Emergencies Act constitutes an unnecessary intrusion into provincial jurisdiction un-

der the Constitution of Canada.

MLA AHEER'S MEMBER SPEECH REGARDING MOTION 10

Mr. Speaker, we have heard it before and we will hear it again, the last few years have been some of the most trying times our nation and our province has experienced. Instead of commending Canadians (Albertans) for their strength and resilient spirit, our nation's leader took a different direction. A direction that undermined the feelings and values of our own citizens, a direction that offends the trials that every citizen of this nation has experienced, a direction that attacked the democratic rights of our people after so many freedoms and rights have already been restricted.

When you, as a leader of a nation, at a time when your nation is hurting, you have the amazing opportunity to unite us, listen to regular everyday folks and hear their pain as they assemble at their house in Ottawa. Instead of hearing the good and honest folks, not the ones that are there to undermine the messages, but the real everyday Canadians who need to know the leader of their country cares enough to have a conversation with them, used this as an opportunity to exploit powers that could be used in limiting rights on housing, finances and faith. It is completely undemocratic.

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In the Feb. 18 edition of the *Strathmore Times* (Provincial CFEP grant sees \$383,100 allocated for local food bank on Page 6), there were a couple of errors. Firstly, the Wheatland County Food Bank just signed the grant and communications agreement on Feb. 14 and they have not received the funds as of yet. Secondly, they purchased the new facility before the funding was approved; however, in accordance with the CFEP guidelines they were allowed to proceed any time after they applied. The grant funding will 100 per cent be going toward the building project as they are bound by the grant agreement to apply the funds to the budget they provided in their application. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.



After two years of being unable to operate, the Wheatland Wildfire is returning to regular operation this spring, following the conclusion of the high school basketball season.

Photo Courtesy of Matthew Laslo

Wheatland Wildfire basketball returns

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Following a two-year hiatus, the Wheatland Wildfire is blazing back onto the local basketball scene and is excited to see local kids back on the court.

Wheatland Wildfire Director, Matthew Laslo, said it will be a good opportunity for kids to be able to play outside of the regular school season.

“It’s nice to just see kids getting out and having opportunities to have some fun with sports and get some exercise and build teamwork skills. It’s just really nice to see kids getting to do stuff again,” said Laslo. “Wheatland Wildfire, we’re pretty much like a grassroots basketball association. We were started by myself and the principal of Strathmore High School, Kyle Larson.”

Wheatland Wildfire has been in operation for roughly 10 years, according to Laslo, save of course for the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The organization supports both boys’ and girls’ teams in age groups ranging from Grade 4, all the way to the high school circuit.

“We usually run a general skills and drills introduction to the sport for the younger kids and that would be your Grades 4 - 7 kids who are just getting introduced to the sport and just getting strong enough to start shooting basketballs,” said Laslo. “We run all the way up to U13, U15

and high school teams for the spring season. We’ve run little spring leagues in town and a whole bunch of things depending on the turnout we have every year.”

The spring season was cancelled in March 2020 when COVID-19 took off. At the time, local teams were withdrawn from Calgary Minor Basketball, as sporting activities were not allowed to operate.

The Wildfire season is scheduled to start shortly after the conclusion of the regular high school season, which will run until Mar. 19, when the final game of provincials is played.

“We usually don’t start until the high school season ends. I coach the senior boys’ basketball team at the high school and Kyle helps me coach. We (also) have some other coaches who help out a little bit here and there who are usually coaching school teams this time of year,” explained Laslo. “I’ve had a lot of interest though. I’ve never had this many emails about the season wondering about when we’re starting up again, so we’ll see in a couple weeks when we get going.”

The Wildfire typically play as part of the Alberta Youth Basketball Clubs and will attend tournaments in Strathmore, Chestermere and Calgary.

“We’ve been chomping at the bit to try and get going as soon as we’ve been able to. Last year we had started floating the idea of a program and ... higher restrictions (were immediately set in place),” said Laslo. “I think it’s

really important in a community like ours to give kids opportunities to play sports and develop skills and learn to be good citizens and good people.”

More details can be found on the Wheatland Wildfire Facebook page, or by reaching out to Laslo via email (wheatlandwildfire@gmail.com).

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Last year, the World Health Organization started naming COVID variants after Greek letters. Of the 24 Greek letters, 12 had been used, some for variants that didn't even make the news. In November last year, the next variant would have been named *nu* and the one after that would have been *xi*. But *omicron* was chosen because *nu* sounds too much like *new* and *xi* is a very common name in China. The purpose of this method of naming is not to stigmatize any area of the world. The letter after nu? It's *pi*.

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Raiders dominate at home

The Wheatland Raiders earned a 7-1 home win over Red Deer on Feb. 26 at the Strathmore Family Centre. The local U16AA team lost a close 2-1 game to Airdrie following day, leaving them with a 15-10-5 record on the season. The Raiders will play their final home game on March 4 (7:30 p.m.) versus the top team in the league – the Okotoks Oilers – at the Strathmore Family Centre. Their last regular season game will be the following day in Medicine Hat.

Joe Lepage Photos

Standard Skate-a-thon raises \$25,000 for ice rink board installation

JOHN WATSON
 Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Organizers estimate roughly \$25,000 was raised over the course of the Standard Agricultural Society Skate-a-thon, which took place at the Standard-Rosebud indoor arena on Feb. 21.

Celeste Christensen, who volunteered to help organize the event, said donations raised were either flat sums, or were based on how many laps participants completed skating around the arena.

Over the course of the event, a total of 3,788 laps around the arena were skated.

"The skate-a-thon did really well two years ago, we made over \$11,000, so I was hoping we we're going to make over \$15,000 this time," said Christensen. "A few years ago, we started building our outdoor rink ... we did fundraising and all that, now we still need to do more (fundraising) to be able to get the boards put up."

The initial goal of \$15,000 for this year's skate-a-thon was put in place to have a goal that encouraged local skaters and donors to try and reach, one that was higher than the amount raised during the event two years ago. The goal was far exceeded.

Out of roughly 100 people who came out to participate, around 50 donned their skates and took to the ice, a turnout that was reportedly very similar to the last time the event was held.

"People had talked about it and were trying to figure out different ways to fundraise. We had done a raffle and it was okay, but it was a lot of work. This is much better because (the community is involved) and everybody has a really nice time," said Christensen.

The outdoor rink project is the first of its kind in Standard, for which construction began several years ago. The boards are simply the next step in its completion.

The boards for the rink are expected to cost roughly \$85,000 to purchase and install.



The Skate-a-thon hosted in Standard to raise money for new boards to surround the outdoor rink collected roughly \$25,000 in donations, according to organizers. Approximately 50 skaters came out to lap the rink in support of the project which is budgeted to cost in the area of \$85,000.

Photo Courtesy of Celeste Christensen

"We do get donations from our Lions throughout the community, and of course community members, and the Village donates a lot and helps out. But it's like, if we're going to get this done, we're going to have to fundraise," said Christensen. "We can't just keep asking for money and not actually making an effort to try and raise the money ourselves as well."

Christensen added the Village of Standard is also providing a loan for the project, but did not specify how much the loan would entail.

The boards are currently scheduled for installation in June, with the intent to pull the trigger and complete the work before the cost of the project continues to inflate.

"We might as well just do it because the price of the boards just keeps going up. This way it's installed and it'll be good for next year – the next winter season."

FORM 6 Notice of Election
 Local Authorities Election Act
 (Sections 12, 35, 46, 53)

LOCAL JURISDICTION: Village of Rockyford, PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held for the filling of the following offices:

Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Ward or Electoral Division Number (If Applicable)
Councillor	1	

Voting will take place on the 14th day of March, 2022, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Voting stations will be located at:

Village Office
 110 Main Street
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In order to vote, your name must appear on the list of electors. If your name does not appear on the list of electors, the person vouching for you must produce identification for inspection. The identification must be one or more of:

Government issued picture identification; utility billing or rental lease showing civic address and name
List Acceptable Forms of Identification

as required by section 53 of the Local Authorities Election Act.

DATED at the Village of Rockyford, in the Province of Alberta, this 23rd day of February, 2022.

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The Royal Canadian Legion Strathmore Branch #10 hosted the winners of their Remembrance contest on Feb. 26 at the Memorial Hall.

John Watson Photos

Strathmore Legion awarding students for their remembrance contest submissions

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Strathmore Royal Canadian Legion Branch #10 recognized the winners of its annual poster, poem and essay contest on Feb. 26, inviting the winners and their families to the facility to be awarded.

Jenny Schumann, membership chair of the Strathmore Legion, said there were 23 winners who were recognized during the brief ceremony, from a total of 45 entries across their categories and age groups.

In each category, first, second and third place winners were recognized.

“What goes on is, teachers let their students know (this is happening) and kind of guide them on putting down their thoughts on remembrance and what it means to them,” explained Schumann.

For the students who claimed first place in their categories, their entries will continue forward to compete for recognition at the district, regional and

national levels.

Should a contestant make it to second place at the national level, their work will be put on display in the National War Museum, while the national first place entry will hang in the Peace Tower at the Parliament building.

There have previously been students from Strathmore who came in first and second at the national level, though Schumann did not name them.

“These contests have been going for probably 50 years. There’s a long history here. We used to go to the schools (to award finalists) and as some of our veterans and volunteers have passed on and we’ve had to retrain ... some of them are a little shy to go to the schools,” added Schumann. “We thought this way, we can bring all the students and grandparents and whoever they like (to have with them) to the Legion and everyone can see their accomplishment.”

For the students, Schumann said the contest is not only an opportunity to win a sum of cash or a way to get their

work on display, but it is a learning experience to keep the memory of Canada’s veterans alive.

Compared to previous years, the number of entries into the contest was down this year, as Schumann explained the legion did not advertise as much as they typically do.

“For the community, I think it’s great. I think for the community ... we cannot forget our veterans, especially with what’s going on today,” she said. “I think that it gives them something to strive for. When the students get these cheques and certificates that they’re presented, we are hoping that it will keep the memory alive and maybe (encourage) them to enter again.”

Student winners were presented with a certificate, a ceramic poppy and a cheque for their work. Should a student continue to be successful in contest, further prize money is awarded at the higher levels.

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Shopping Bus Schedule 2022

March 8 – Southcentre Mall	Fee: \$25 return
April 12 – CrossIron Mills	The bus is NOT wheelchair accessible, and riders do not need to belong to a Seniors' Club
May 12 – Sunridge Mall	
June 14 – Market Mall	The bus will be leaving the malls at 2:30 P.M. for the return trip home.
July 12 - Chinook Mall	
August 9 – North Hill Centre	Please note: All current health mandates will need to be followed.
September 13 – Southcentre	
October 11 – CrossIron Mills	
November 8 – Chinook Mall	
November 22 – Market Mall	
December 6 – Sunridge Mall	

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Upcoming Meetings

Council and committee meetings will now be open to the public and via teleconference. For public hearings it is strongly encouraged that you attend in person.

- March 8: Municipal Planning Commission**
- March 22: Council Meeting**
- April 5: Council Meeting**

To join the call, dial 403-917-1764 and enter the PIN 47001 when prompted. Agenda packages can be found on our website.

Public Hearings

Wheatland County Council Chambers March 22nd, 2022 at 9 a.m.

Wheatland County will consider the following applications for Public Hearing at the regular Council meeting on Tuesday, March 22nd, 2022.

The following public hearings begin at 9 a.m. and proceed until all applications have been heard:



March 9, 2022 — 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Alberta Farmer Pesticide Certification Course is a tool intended to help farmers to reduce risks associated with pesticide use. This course is recommended under the Alberta Environmental Farm Plan but is also mandatory for farmers who wish to use restricted pesticides that require certification such as Aluminum Phosphide.

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Bylaw #: 2021-34

Legal Description: County-wide

Proposal: To amend the Land Use Bylaw to update Definitions, Application for Development and Subdivision Regulations, General Regulations, Specific Use Regulations, and Land Use Districts. Areas under consideration include Wineries and Alcohol Production, Parks & Playgrounds, Backyard Hens and Backyard Coops, Backyard Beekeeping Hives and Supers, Manufactured Dwellings, Landscaping, Fencing, and Screening, and Rear Yard setbacks for Accessory Buildings/ Structures (The Lakes of Muirfield). Specific details of the proposed amendments can be found on the Wheatland County website.

<https://wheatlandcounty.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Bylaw-2021-34-Proposed-Amendments-to-Land-Use-Bylaw-No-2016-01.pdf>

Comments may be forwarded in writing to Wheatland County or in person at the above meeting. The application files may be reviewed in the County Office during regular office hours – Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Any comments provided will become part of the public record in accordance with Section 40 (1) of the

Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection Privacy Act. Any personal information on submissions made regarding applications is collected under the authority of the FOIP Act Section 33 (c) and subsequent versions of the Act.

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Emergencies Act

MARTIN SHIELDS
Member of Parliament Bow River Riding

The news cycle churns a mile a minute and by the time you read this column, the Emergencies Act will have come and gone. So that begs the question: Why did Prime Minister Trudeau invoke the Act?

For the first three weeks in the month of February, Ottawa was caught up in international news. It's not often our country is the headline story around the world, but the cross-country convoy and subsequent protest in Ottawa did it. What began as a convoy of freedom-loving Canadians opposing mandates from coast-to-coast driving to the Capital to make their voice heard, became a weeks' long camp site. The original message may have been lost in the mix. Thousands of locals flocked in during the weekends, music blared, people danced, horns honked. Some called it an occupation, others called it a party. But how ever you'd like to classify the protest, it was an event that captivated the country and even the world for several weeks – and surely unlike anything I've seen in the capital city. The unfortunate part was that the protest was so large it spilled into residential areas, which subjected residents to noise, blocking of streets and havoc.

But there was a real sense that the frustration from two long years of pandemic restrictions was boiling over. Among the crowds were truckers protesting the cross-border mandate, people that lost their jobs due to restrictions and mandates and those that simply had enough with pandemic restrictions. At a time when the world seemed to be re-opening completely, the federal government lagged. Conservative MPs asked questions to the government but all we got back were the same boring talking points over and over. Conservatives

moved a motioned for a plan – just a plan! – Liberals and the NDP voted it down.

The unfortunate part of this protest was the way in which information was disseminated. In this age of information that is accessible immediately and from a variety of sources, I plead with everyone: please do your due diligence, check your information against a few different sources. It is up to all of us to combat fake news and misinformation.

What became a problem were the blockades. Conservatives believe in law and order, therefore illegal blockades that do more damage than good was not the way to go. We must protect the right of peaceful assembly, but we mustn't allow illegal blockading of critical infrastructure. Be it at a pipeline site, a border bridge, or residential streets.

Which brings me to the Emergencies Act. The border blockades were cleared before the invocation of the Act and if the Ottawa police force wished to move the trucks, they had the means to do so. There was no indication for the need of the Emergencies Act and it now sets a dangerous precedent for the future. Emergency powers should not be normalized and must always meet the necessary requirements for the invocation. The ability to seize finances without due process is a chilling proposition. We are continuing to hold the government to account on this issue, as the Public Safety committee has begun their inquiry. As we move to focus on the Ukraine crisis, the Emergencies Act will still be a focus of official inquiries.

What do you think of the past few weeks in Canadian politics?

Be sure to follow my social media to stay updated
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Should you have a question or concern of a federal matter, please email my office (Martin.Shields@parl.gc.ca).

Trying times for Canada

Continued from Page 4

Despite the revocation of the act, the Prime Minister still unjustly exercised grave measures of power unto the citizens of this nation.

The emergencies act should only be used in circumstances that as Tristan Hopper stated in his article, “seriously endangers the lives, health or safety of Canadians” or at times that compromise the government’s abilities to “preserve the sovereignty, security and territorial integrity of Canada.” The act also comes with a pretty major caveat that it can only be invoked in circumstances that cannot be addressed by “any other law of Canada.”

Nothing that the federal government proposed in order to open up critical infrastructure required this emergencies act. Protests are meant to bring attention; they are a plea from citizens who have feelings of being marginalized and who have had freedoms restricted. Despite the attention and disruption, these protests did not warrant such extreme enforcement of authority. They do not threaten the lives of Canadians, they do not threaten the well-being of Canadians, they do not harm the nation.

I do not support, nor will I ever support illegal blockades, shaming, censorship or bullying. I will never support voices that invoke racism, bigotry, or discrimination.

The question that fundamentally needs to be asked is why specifically did we need the Emergencies Act?

Let's visit the facts. Blocking critical infrastructure violates the criminal code and both the provincial and municipal governments can use any number of tools through the RCMP from impounding vehicles to arrests. Police can already freeze bank accounts under the Proceeds of Crime and Terrorist Financing Act if the blockade continued. You can even call in the military without the Emergencies Act. The National Defense Act allows the army to be called out to deal with any “disturbance of the peace” that overwhelms normal police resources. Both federal and provincial governments can also scramble in Mouties as reinforcements.

The federal government did not respect democratic safeguard. The federal government did not properly consult with provinces and territories. The federal government invoked this act callously and with such quickness. The federal government invoked this controlling law on citizens and encroached into provincial jurisdiction unnecessarily. Provinces and territories have government agencies, law enforcement agencies, and committed groups to handle such situations and did not express the need for this extreme overreach of power by the federal government.

Invoking the Emergencies Act was an attack on the civil liberties of Canadians. The Prime Minister and his party never had legal justification to invoke such an act. Instead, this was an authoritative power move unto people who did not agree with his policies. Canada is a democratic nation, a peaceful nation, a nation for all to express themselves and coexist. Invoking the Emergencies Act only further divided the nation. The Federal House of Commons voted 185-151, surely this is

too close a vote to attest to the justification of invoking such an Act. With a difference of only 34 votes from our nation's leaders, the extreme divisiveness and the lack of democratic spirit within our federal government is highlighted.

This has been a leadership issue and an issue of pushing division and anger over understanding and working together.

The federal government said that they would not keep the Act in place longer than necessary. However, they did invoke it longer than necessary as it should have never been considered nor resorted to.

The work of government has not stopped. We have held committee meetings, been with our constituents as we listened to their valuable and needed input. We heard from kids who were being turned away from activities because of their choices regarding vaccination and negative tests were not good enough to participate. The struggle is real folks and as we all reflect on how we get back to normal - whatever that is, the real question again is how do we heal? Healing will only happen if our leadership leads by example and is there for those who need him in crisis. That is true leadership. Being willing to listen and respond. To be able to take in information and participate with your fellow Canadians whether or not you agree with them. You don't run away from difficult conversations, you don't allow the bullies, the keyboard cowboys, or the trolls to rule your behavior. I am as frustrated as anyone about the racial comments, the flying of swastikas, defacing statues and other inappropriate and frankly concerning behavior. Those instances are deplorable but did not require the emergencies act. There is no judicial over site in the sections under this act. We cannot become a nation where we use emergency acts as a normal part of our privilege.

I would like to quote from the National Post as quoted by Tristan Hopper

“One Freedom Convoy blockade is now gone and it notably occurred without any Emergencies Act assistance.” After RCMP arrested 13 people and seized a cache of firearms, traffic is now flowing freely at the Coutts, Alta. border crossing for the first time in two weeks. In a strange development for a police operation that saw the seizure of a large arsenal of high-powered firearms, the Coutts blockade ultimately ended with hugs between police and blockaders and the joint singing of “O Canada.” (Tristian Hopper, February 16, 2022)

With the revocation of this Act, justice prevailed and injustice was put to rest. Although this does not change the fact the leader of our nation saw this erroneous overreach of power as necessary when it was never necessary nor justified.

This unwarranted and overreaching invocation of the Emergencies Act by the federal government, undermined the constitutional rights of citizens. We have endured some of the hardest years globally and it will take all of us to make sure that Canada remains a leader in democracy and peace.

I would like to take a moment to recognize the importance of lifting our voices together to proclaim solidarity with those who face oppression and those who are calling for peace.

#peaceforukraine #standwithukraine
As always, we love to hear from you.

(Leela Sharon Abeer is the MLA Elect for Chestermere-Strathmore)

TIMES CLASSIFIEDS

Obituary



MERKEL,
Constance Mae (Connie)
December 13, 1934
– February 11, 2022

It is with heavy hearts we announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother.

Connie was passionate about knitting and crocheting blankets and socks for all of her kids and grandchildren. She enjoyed her time spent with her neighbours at Sagewood, meeting for coffee and puzzle time. She will be lovingly remembered by her children, Jim Merkel (Sherry), Debbie Kiemeny (Dennis), Carol Jamieson, Val Seabourne (Steve), Dennis Merkel; as well as numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, Art Merkel; daughter Judy Merkel; son, Michael Merkel; and son-in-law, Lance Jamieson.

A celebration of Connie's life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Connie's memory, may be made to the Palliative Care Unit at the Strathmore Hospital.

To send condolences, please visit Connie's obituary at www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca.

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Obituary



HERMANSON,
William (Bill)

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Bill Hermanson at the age of 91. Bill was born September

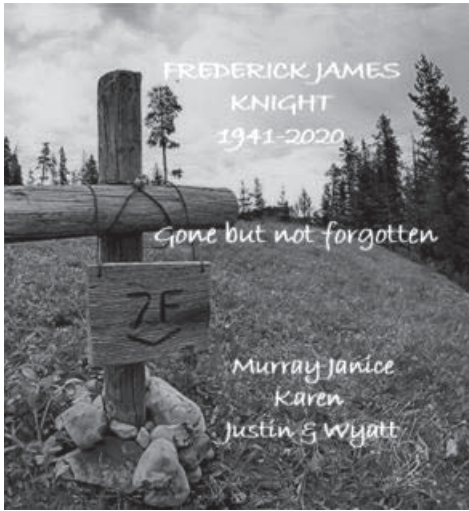
6, 1930, in Medicine Hat, Alberta and passed away in Strathmore, Alberta on February 26, 2022. He was predeceased by his daughter, Debbie; parents, Angela and Ole; siblings, Patricia (David Collyer) and Edward (Ella). He is survived by his dear wife of 65 years, Vera; brother Cliff (Bev); his children: Alvin (Alanna); Debbie's husband Blaine (Yvonne); Karen (Chris); Jim (Barbara); Frances (Scot); and Joe (Shannon). Grandpa Bill (Pa) will be missed by his 15 grandchildren: Brittany, Russell (Mel), Kay-Cee (Travis), Gregory (Emily), Todd, Kaitlin (Dan), Carrie (Jason), Judy (Jeff), Nicole (Tyler), Callie, Brandon, Marli, Morgan, Joanne (Eric), and Bruce. Grandpa Bill also had 12 great grandchildren: Drake, Levi, Shane, Lincoln, Leo, Leah, Cole, Brody, Peyton, Kaylee, Michelle, and Hudson. Bill also leaves behind Auntie Mardelle, cousins, nieces and nephews, and dear friends such as Ken and Bonnie and Marge and Jacob. He will also be sadly missed by his dog, Sophie, who always was on his lap or snuggled in his vest. Bill lived in the Jenner area until age 5 and then the family moved to Strathmore. Bill was an extremely hard worker and farmed in the Strathmore area all his life. He had grain, hay, beef cattle, milk cows, pigs, chickens, turkeys, ducks, horses, and dogs and cats. Bill could build or fix anything and was always helping his friends and neighbors. He helped build the old red barn on the farm which is still standing today to honor him. He restored an old 1926 Model T car which he loved to drive and it is still running today. When he retired and moved into Strathmore, Bill and Vera did some travelling to Disneyland, Hawaii, Chicago, a road trip (Pacific to Atlantic oceans) completely across Canada, a tour bus trip throughout NW USA, and a cruise to Alaska. He also made many family trips to Manitoba and BC. No funeral will be held, the family will honour his life through a private service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made directly to the Strathmore District Health Foundation (200 Brent Blvd, Strathmore, AB T1P 1J9 Attn: Mardelle Bazant). To send condolences, please visit Bill's obituary at www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca

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MEMORIAM



ANNOUNCEMENT



Patrick and Shauna Murphy along with Dave and Carrie Walker are thrilled to announce the engagement of their children *Zachary Murphy to Paige Walker* of Lacombe, Alberta. Wedding to take place the fall of 2023.

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NOTICES

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 Irrigation Districts Act (Section 85/86)
NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO CHANGE THE AREA OF AN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
TAKE NOTE that applications have been received by the Western Irrigation District to change the area of the District.
 Applications to ADD parcel(s) that consist of:

Name of Landowner	Number of Irrigation Acres	Legal Land Description
Hutterian Brethren Church of Cluny	59	4:21;22;1;SW
Guy Sykes Brown and Maisie Brown	59	4:21;22;14;SE
Okee Dokee Farms Ltd.	57	4:21;23;12;NW
Crocus Hill Farms Ltd.	59	4:23;26;36;NW
George Ernest Walker and Joyce Carole Walker	41	4:24;26;30;SE

Any person wishing to complain is required to submit a written complaint to the Western Irrigation District at Box 2372, A-1000 Pine Street, Strathmore, Alberta, T1P 1K3 within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice.
Sean Mascaluk
 Acting General Manager
 Western Irrigation District

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NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS
 Irrigation Districts Act (Sections 54, 58, 59)
 Local Authorities Election Act (Section 26)

Western Irrigation District in the Province of Alberta
 Notice is hereby given that nominations are open from the date of this publication until 4:00 pm on Wednesday, March 16th, 2022 for the election of candidates for the following offices and will be received at the location of the office of the Western Irrigation District set out below:

Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Division Number
Director	1	1
Director	1	4

Electoral Division 3, which comprises Townships 21, Electoral Division 1 comprises Townships 22, 23 and 24 in Ranges 20, 21, 22.
 Electoral Division 4 comprises Townships 24, 25, 26 and 27 in Ranges 26, 27 and 28.
 Nominations must be in the form prescribed by the Irrigation Districts Act and can be obtained from Western Irrigation District; location being 1000A Pine Street, Strathmore.
 DATED at the Town of Strathmore in the Province of Alberta, this 8th day of February 2022.
Donna Mitchel, Acting General Manager
Returning Officer

HELP WANTED

FULL-TIME CARETAKING POSITION IN STRATHMORE
 The Golden Hills School Division invites applications to submit their resume. Please refer to our website www.ghsd75.ca under Employment-Non-Teaching Opportunities-Facilities Positions for further information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Strathmore Youth Justice Committee (SYJC) is looking for new Committee Members.

WHAT WE DO
 SYJC is a non-profit organization run by community volunteers to give first time Young Offenders a second chance. First time Young Offenders are referred to SYJC by Crown Prosecutors as an alternative to the Court system.

EXPECTATIONS OF VOLUNTEERS
 Must be at least 18 years of age. SYJC meets on Wednesday evenings starting at 7:00 p.m. when we have a case(s) to facilitate and usually runs 1.5-2 hours. Knowledge of the Justice System is an asset but not a requirement. A Vulnerable Sector Check, a Child Intervention Check and an Oath of Confidentiality are mandatory.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer member of SYJC, please email strathmoreyouthjustice@outlook.com and you will be forwarded an application to complete and return via email to this email address.

Bassano Playgroup Society EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR
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 - Minimum of Early Childhood Education Level Two
 - Criminal record check including vulnerable sector check.
 - First Aid (can be provided if needed)

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 - Guiding children through lesson and play
 - Ensuring an inclusive, nurturing, and safe learning environment
 - Report challenges and successes to parents and/or caregivers
 - Strong communication skills including interacting with the public, parents/caregivers, and board members.
 - Plan developmentally age appropriate activities for pre-school aged children
 - Excellent organizational, problem solving, and multi-tasking skills
 - Previous experience would be an asset.
 * Position to start in September 2022*

Please submit a resume with 2-3 references by April 15, 2022 to bassanoplaygroup@gmail.com or for more information please call Stephanie at 1-403-703-5951 or Carla at 1-403-376-5742

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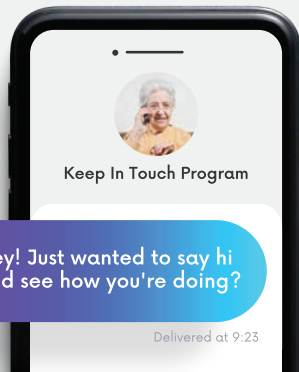
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Upcoming Council Meetings

March 09, 2022 | 6 p.m.

Committee of the Whole

March 16, 2022 | 6 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting

April 06, 2022 | 6 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting

In-person attendance isn't available at this time. All meetings are streamed live at Strathmore.ca/youtube

Want to speak at a Council Meeting?

Public are welcome to speak at Council or Committee of the Whole Meetings during the Public Comments or Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

Learn how at Strathmore.ca/youtube



Strathmore Job Fair

March 9, 3:00 - 6:00pm

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Need a hand with your tax return?

Starting March 1, if you have a modest income and a simple tax situation, Strathmore FCSS and volunteers can help prepare your basic 2021 income taxes.

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Learn more about the program by visiting Strathmore.ca/TaxPrep



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Easing COVID-19 Health Measures

On February 8th, Premier Kenney announced a three-step plan to phase out COVID-19 public health actions. Alberta entered Step 2 on March 1 which means the provincial mask mandates were lifted and masking inside Town operated facilities are no longer be required.

You can read the complete three-step plan to phase out COVID-19 public health orders at: <https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-public-health-actions.aspx>

You may still see some Town of Strathmore employees wearing masks so don't feel alone should you choose to wear one.

The Town of Strathmore is grateful to residents and visitors for helping to keep our facilities safe and respectful. Thank you for continuing to be kind and supporting one another!

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